IS 16 PER CENT.

House Committee Votes

Double Rate Under

Existing Law.

WASHINGTON, May 7.-Increase in

ee excess profits tax of 16 per cent., or

and a big increase in inheritance sur-

although a tax on street care electric

sign and other forms of advertising probably will be adopted to bring the

total revenue anticipated from the bill

up to the \$1,800,000,000 mark set by the

ber of the committee said that he ex-pected the bill would be finished to-

morrow. Other members were not so

The decision of the committee

increase inheritance taxes about 331-2 per cent, from a lowered minimum of \$29,000. The present minimum is \$50,-

excess of \$11,000,000 will pay 25 per cent and those in excess of \$20,000,000

NORWAY LOSES TWO SHIPS.

apto and Natuna Sunk-Nickel

Works Destroyed by Fire.

Natuna. The crews were rescued.

the nickel refining works there destroyed

by fire. The damage is so extensive that

PRINCE STILL A HERO TO PA.

Blessings in Birthday Greeting.

AMSTERDAM, May 7.—The German Emperor has sent the following telegram

"Your birthday falls this year in a serious and decisive time. In grateful and full confidence the fatheriand and I

look upon your and the other battle

the new battles. God grant

fatherland in your new year of life a

The Crown Prince of Germany was

IN BAFF MURDER

born on May 6, 1882, and is therefore 25 years old. He is at present in com-

Governor Asks Attorney-Gen-

eral to Try Cases.

prosecution of the indictments of sev-

eral men alleged to be implicated in the

The indictments were found January 12 against Joseph Cohen, Jacob Cohen, David Jacobs, William Simon, Abraham

action was taken on application of Walter R. Deuel, attorney for Giu-seppe Arichello, convicted of firing the

Graff and Moses Rosenstein.

ALBANY, May 7.-Gov. Whitman has

SWANN DISPLACED

ings."

The action of the committee to-day

optimistic.

Consumption taxes were not touched

increase of 8 per cent, over existing

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ONE CENT In Greater New York TWO CENTS.

## NEW DEMANDS MADE FOR RESIGNATION OF **BETHMANN-HOLLWEG**

Junker Party Faction TAX ON PROFITS to the Socialists.

DECLARED A MENACE

Von Reventlow Attacks the Chancellor for "Fence Riding" in Crisis.

PREPARES NEW STRADDLE S31,000,000, adoption of the sub-commit-

Awaiting Outcome of Land and Sea Campaigns Before tax through the lowering of the mini-Answering Foes.

Special Cable Despatch to The Sux to-day's see LONDON, May 7.—Reliable reports from Committee. sermany indicate the nearness of a political upheaval resulting from Chancel- monious, in view of the fact that some or von Bethmann-Hollweg's repeated members were inclined to discuss the lickering between the Conservatives and proposed cotton tax of \$2.50 a bale, a

Several elements of the Junker press Southern members. e demanding the Chancellor's resignalion, intimating that he is dangerous to sentiment of the committee seemed the Government because he is showing clearly against any change in the schedfavoritism to Socialistic reforms. It is ule for increases in the postal rates on apparent that the Conservatives and the second class matter. The proposal to tax Junkers became disgruntled after Holl- on the basis of advertising carried, by weg's recent back handed offer of fran- newspapers and periodicals was rejected. chise reform, to which he attached the proviso that any such reform naturally

### Fence Riding Assailed.

This fence riding, which Hollweg in-nded to pacify both elements, is fast making trouble among the Conservatives Von Reventiow declares such especially. Von Reventiow declares such a policy is a menace, while the Socialists are exasperated by half measures or offers with strings attached. The Socialists know that Hollweg cannot offer reforms tending toward the democratisation of Germany, but the Junkers, on the other hand, fear the Chanceller might go too far in his efforts to assume the growing thirst for targetics. suage the growing thirst for representa-

suage the growing thirst for representa-tive government.

The Chancellor is preparing another fence straddling on the question of terri-torial aggrandizement. Some elements demand an immediate declaration that Germany intends to acquire all the oc-cupied territory, but Hollweg, seeing the possibility of adverse developments in the military situation versues is committhe military situation, refuses to commit

The German Chancellor is anxious to the outcome of the submarine campaign, of the fighting on the western front and of the Russian crisis before he definitely announces a "no annexation" programme. Likewise, it is believed, he is delaying internal reform hoping that the trend of events will make it possible to ignore a large part of the demands for such action. he demands for such action.

If it were possible for Germany to come through the summer campaign without suffering serious reverses he might announce Germany's intention of heiding the territory occupied and an intention of revenue, also was reached. manding payment from Germany's enelies inflict real defeats on Germany during the coming months he is preared to remain quiet.

msterdam the pan-German newspapers Berlin continue their attacks on the ancellor. The Neueste Nachrichten and Tageszeitung accuse Dr. von Beththe Reichstag interpellations regarding Germany's war aims until after the Stockholm Socialist conference. They plain strongly of such leadership of a public meetings to protest against Chancellor's weakness when the

### WARNED OF DANGER.

### Conservative Papers Join in Fight on Chancellor. Kalser Wishes Heir Victory and

COPENHAGEN, via London. May 7 .-Highly patriotic German newspapers like the Hamburg Fremdenblatt warn the he the demands that are being made for | to the Crown Prince: of Government provides too narrow pasis for Germany's future. Under working tooth and nail to oust Dr. von attacks and which will stand invincib mann-Holwegg, the Imperial Chanellor, and substitute the "strong man" who will be inaccessible not only to Meak of a compromise peace but to any Weak-ening of the Government or traf-

king by the Socialists. surmise that the Reichstag comoon States and the setting up of mand of the German armies facing the the former as the Kingdom of Flan- French offensive. under German influence and pro-on might be the key to the policy von Bethmann Holwegg's future n of Belgium is supported by in the Deutsche Tageszeitung Conservative organ in Berlin, writthe strength of full information rensored account available to the

Switzerland of previous reports displaced District Attorney Swann in the erning the methods used in Gerto prevent May day strikes. The n a discussion between the Socialist murder of Barnet Baff, Washington Karl Heifferich, Minister of the In-lin 1914. He issued an executive order Saturday that the entire last Saturday that the entire requesting Attorney-General Merton E. eputation which called on the Lewis to designate a deputy to handle secretary of the interior to disdeputation which called on the

### WAGE WAR ON TISZA.

### Hungarian Leaders Threaten Par-Hamentary Strike.

desist until the Fremier's retireit is forced, according to a despatch
i Venna. They will eventually reto a parliamentary strike if neces-Corenhagen, via London, May

N. Brothers, both of whom were appointed by the pointed by the poi political importance is attributed. tion and success.

# GREAT GERMAN ATTACKS FAIL

Allies Hold All Ground Won Despite Furious Assaults.

BULLECOURT HOLDS OUT

Australian Troops Fight Hard to Extend Break in Hindenburg Line.

LONDON, May 7 .- On the French from the great battle for Laon has died down, the Germans having made a last vain struggle last night to recoup their losses After a night of furious fighting the French held all the contested ridge posi tions, and both sides, exhausted, settled down to prepare for the next struggle. On the British front a fight of no less

mum to include inheritances of \$20,000 stubborn character has been raging totaxes were the important decisions at day, though over a far smaller area. The to-day's session of the Ways and Means Australians are striving to complete the break in the Hindenburg line at Bulle-The session was not particularly harcourt. At latest reports the village, long stubbornly defended, had not yet fallen but valuable progress had been made and a large number of prisoners taken.

procedure not at all to the liking of the In last night's fighting the Germans used four fresh divisions, attacking practically the whole front of the Chemindes Dames ridge overlooking the Allette. Backed up by a terrific artillery fire these troops strove time and again to clamber up the northern slope and regain the crest, and each time were driven back Without the formality of a vote the est, and each time were driven back.

> "The Germans were mowed down in masses by our heavy and field artillery and machine guns, suffering large losses in these engagements," the War Office

The number of French prisoners was increased to-day by 200, which makes officials instructing them not to talk the total for the three days 6,300 and with newspaper men "even on insignifiupon. This and the proposed \$75,000,000 tax on petroleum and its products will be taken up to-morrow. A leading mem-

what is hailed as a German victory.

According to the German statement violent attacks—by which army is no stated—gave the Germans "local successes." The Germans say that neither army occupies the crest of the Winterburg, the French holding the southern slope, the Germans the northern. The French statement directly contradicts of questions which are raised the many of questions which are raised increases the tax on whiskey from \$1.10 a gallon, the present tax, to \$2.20. Secretary McAdoo and the sub-committee retary McAdoo and the sub-committee proposed a tax of \$2 a gallon on whis-key. The tax on beer by to-day's ac-tion would be made \$2.75 a barrel. The present tax is \$1.50 a barrel. The proposal of Secretary McAdoo and the sub-committee was to increase this to \$2.50

only engagement in which the British were engaged gave them an opportunity to show themselves as strong in repulsionly of the press but with supplying ing counter attacks as are their allies. The Germans made a strong effort to dislodge the British from captured cables, necause of the need of coding trenches south of the Souchez River in and decoding the bureau at the same the outskirts of Lens. The Germans adtime, because of its relative lack of vacced to the second of the same the outskirts of Lens. The Germans adding time, because of its relative lack of vacced to the same the outskirts of Lens. 000, under which sum a tax of 1 per cent. attaches. The effect of the in-crease will be to add about one-third to the normal tax and increase the surtaxes as the greater inheritances are reached. Thus inheritances in excess of \$5,000,000 will be assessed 22 per cent; those in excess of \$11,000,000 will pay 25 per vanced in three waves, and none of them authority.

tack upon the village itself.

LONDON, May 7.—According to a Central News despatch from Copenhagen the Norwegian Foreign Office has announced the sinking by German sub-marines of the steamships Capto and Telegrams from Christiansand report

hibiting export of nickel to Germany as very tight corner by Nivelle. If the a protest against the sinking of Nor- French at Laffaux advance a mile fur-wegian ships by submarines. The ther east and capture Allemant and works at Christiansand had a contract Pinon they will outflank the whole Gerto supply their whole output to German line running north to St. Quentin.
The French confront here the trenches of the Siegfried line, however, and it Berlin Government to Indemnify will take hard fighting to break them.

The official statements follow: French Night Statement—The enemy did not renew his attempts in the re-gion north of the Laffaux Mill or on the Chemin des Dames. Violent artilthe Chemin des Dames. Violent artil-lery fighting continued, particularly near Hurtebise and the sector of Craonne, where our troops consolidated their, positions on the Californie

According to prisoners taken on that part of the front, four fresh regi-ments, which participated in the fruitless attacks last night on this plateau. suffered very heavy losses.

### French Take Prisoners.

Northwest of Rheims we carried out an isolated operation which enabled us to enlarge our positions appreciably south of Sapigneul. About 100 prison-ers, of whom two were officers, remain in our hands.

French Afternoon Statement Yes-terday evening and last night were marked by violent new reactions on the part of the Germans in the region northeast of Solssons and along the Chemin des Dames, where we identi-fied four fresh divisions. Very violent counter attacks, preceded by in-tense hombardments, were launched against our pesitions at Froidment farm, on the Cerny-Hurtebise front, and on the Craonne and Vauclere heights. The fighting, which assumed a most violent character, terminated to the advantage of our troops, which victoriously resisted the most furious assaults and maintained their posi-tions everywhere. The Germans were nowed down in masses by our heavy moved down in masses by our heavy and field artillery and machine guns, suffering large lesses in these engage-ments. The number of our prisoners is now more than 6,200. This brings up the total number of prisoners taken by French troops in the fighting since April 16 to about 29,000.

On the remainder of the front there intermittent artillery engage. We broke up several surprise attacks by the enemy, particularly in the Argonne, near Bolante and Le Grurie Wood. We made several suc-cessful incursions into the German lines near Sonvaux Hill and east of

British Night Statement - This after-noon the enemy launched his third counter attack with considerable forces Southez River. The first wave of

Continued on Second Page.

### Goethals to Rush Wooden Vessels.

WASHINGTON, May 7.—Official announcement was made to-day that the Government will build an enormous number of wooden ships within the next eighteen months and that Gen. Goethals will sign contracts for them as soon as the shipping bill becomes a law.

This disposes of the persistent story that Gen. Goethals so violently opposed the wooden ship plan of the Shipping Board for thwarting Germany's submarine campaign that he would effect an abandonment of the statement of

ment of the scheme.

William Denman, chairman of the Shipping Board, authorized the following statement:

"The wooden ship scheme being definitely under way and satis-factorily progressing, the board and Gen. Goethals have turned to the stimulation of steel ship building. Undoubtedly the stories concerning the abandonment of the wooden ship plan arose from the fact that having nothing more to say about the wooden ships we have talked nothing but steel.
"The wooden ship plan will be carried on as originally conceived.

The board never at any time has given out a statement in which it anticipated the number of wooden ships it would be possible to build. It is confidently expected, however, that in eighteen months there will be turned out an enormous wooden tonnage. We hope in the same period to turn out an even larger steel tonnage "Many experts believe that if we do not do this Germany will win

the war.

"The board welcomes intelligent criticism, but it considers unpatriotic a statement concerning its policy which is untrue and about which the person making it has not had the candor to ask the board whether or not it is true."

## LANSING CLOSES T.R.ARMY HOLDS NEWS SOURCES UP CONSCRIPTION

Not to Give Out Information.

WASHINGTON, May 7.-The usual eign Powers have up to now reached the at issue the conferent on the army conpublic were closed to-day by Secretary Scription bill to-day set themselves for Lansing.

An order bearing his name was dis tributed broadcast to State Department

the maze of questions which are raised British Repulse Attacks.

Besides the fighting at Bullecourt the and more perfunctory.

The bureau of foreign intelligence is authority, confines itself mostly to for-mal statements on news facts and does reached the British trenches.

A correspondent with the British army not attempt to provide the background describes the Bullecourt fighting as fol-lows;

"The British, who had been holding Consequently from now on if to-day s

positions south and east of the village, order remains in effect, the public will where they had been violently attacked receive from the State Department only during the past four days, moved for such perfunctory news as the bureau ward just before dawn in a general atgives out and such fragmentar, ex-

fire. The damage is so extensive that oduction will have to be discontinued.

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### WILL PAY GERMANS FOR SHIPS. Horseveit plan.

Owners of Seized Vessels.

### T. R.'S ARMY LISTS TO CLOSE TO-DAY

cousin of the French Ambassador to Russia, was also enrolled. The Prince explained that he had renounced legiance to his native country and had taken out his first papers here last Priday in order to get into the division. He Pacifist Who Punched Senator is 46 and was educated at the Jassy Military School, the West Point of Ru-

Chicago "Herald" Donbles Price.

### Orders State Department Aids Senate and House Conferces Near Deadlock Over Big Military Bill.

hannels of information through which velt plan of raising volunteer divisions news of America's relationships to for- for service in France as the chief point a struggle the outcome of which no

the French grand total for the battle of cant matters of fact or detail." Hence, be adopted, or it will be rejected only the Alsne, which began April 15, 29,000. forth, under the order, the press will after the endurance of the Senate conman announcement of nine officers and 726 men captured from the French in of complicated international questions mouncement of the extraordinary progforeign service had an appreciable effect tural sections. isting on the Roosevelt plan Whether the House conferees will yield or whether they will refer the problem to their col-leagues for another trail of strength

The House conferees Harabe are its. demanded flant, but it is regarded as much more probable that the House will yield rather than the Senate

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special Cable Despatch to Tus Six
London, May 7—A despatch from
Berne announces that the German Government, before the United States
entered the war, prepared legislation to
pay shipowners \$125,000,000 compensation for war losses.

Now, because the interned German
ships have been seized, the Government
thas decided to accept responsibility for
these, and will increase the indemnity
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### BANNWART SEEKS WAR.

Lodge Enrolls for Camp. Boston, May 7 - Alexander Bannwart, who engaged in a fist fight with Senator Lodge while acting as a mem-ber of a peace delegation to Washing-Chicago, May 7.—Announcement all ber of a peace delegation to Washing ton several works and, enrolled to-size be made in the Chicago Herald to-morrow morning that beginning Monday.

May 14, the retail price of the paper will be two cents in the territor; where it has been selling for one cent.

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## **GOMPERS BIDS RUSSIA FIGHT ON**

Message Cabled to Workers' Deputies Calls Separate Peace a Snare.

U. S. PLEDGES INDORSED

American Commission Praised First Uniformed Body to Carry and Labor Vows to War on "Kaiserism."

WASHINGTON, May 7. A plan against premature peace for Russia and rewed assurances that American wage rners and the American people are in ompers of the American Federation of bor to the Executive Committee of Council of Workmen's and Soldiers'

Speaking for organized labor in this contry, Mr. clompers also expresses omplete confidence in the purposes and pinions of the American war mission oon to go to Russia. Although he does not mention specifically the recent atacks on Elihu Root, who will head the ission, the labor leader denounces as riminal and pro-German any suggestion hat the members will seek to interfere Russia's internal affairs or will give ov advice except with the purpose of emhating the common enemy. The ressage, times to aid in defeating the o-terman agitation apparent during he last few days in Russin, was cabled

"In view of the grave crisis through upon the wholehearted support and co operation of the American people in the great war against our common enemy, Kalserism. In the fulfilment of that has the support of 199 per cent, of the American people, including the working class of both the cities and the agricul-

"In free America, as in free Russia, the agitators for a peace favorable to Prussian militarism have been allowed by express their optidons, so that conscious and unconscious tools of seems to be the doubtful point.

The conference situation is unusual. Ferause of the substitution of the Senate truth of the situation. There are but bill as an amendment under the House Kalserism and its allies to continue bundle, age limits, State designations of thre-Kaiser Socialist interpretation of the military units and one or two minor demand for no annexation; namely that noints. But the Senate conferees and all oppressed non-derman peoples shall stand by the committee now feet free nation of Prussia and her lackey support the plan and they served no. Austria and Turkey' Should we no o-day they will support it to the rather accept the bette any allegiance it desires, as the Council of Workmen's

"There has been parted fighting in this time for in the crush and time for in the crush and thing questack was of an enveloping nature. It times of the Far East, South America, the mear East or western Europe, will not be able to give to the public the particle of their expert knowledge and have passed well within the town, which lies absolutely astride the Hindenburg system Henaced.

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Volunteers Number 200,000, or More Than Enough.

After today it is expected that no more applications for Capt. W. E. Dame, in charge of the office announced staye described any including more applications for Volunteers army, will be accepted at the recruiting headquarters, 752 Fifth announced with the foliam time of the office, announced staye described in most than 12,000 applications have been received stayed applications for the last week, that no more can be announced stayed applications have been always as a finish that no more than 20,000 and that no more can be an included to the announced stayed of the dynamite gum that was part of the foliam that no more can be an included to the foliam that he does not for the foliam that no more can be an included to the announced stay of the dynamite gum that was part of the foliam for the called some form the red of the surface of the dynamite gum that was part of the foliam for the world. As the control of the surface of the surface and the surface and

names of termans who fought in the American war for liberty. Secretary Daniels announced to-day that the Kenny

## 11,000 U.S. ENGINEERS ORDERED TO FRANCE TO BUILD RAILROADS

## MEDICAL FORCE ABOUT TO SAIL

man submarines prevent, the first uni-formed American force that will carry the Stars and Stripes through the streets of London before embarking for the war foot in France.

Flag to London Contains

240 Persons.

London before This force, consisting of 240 persons, mostly from middle West colleges and schools of mediane, will sail from an American port on a British steamship. All have been mustered into the United States Army Medical Corps, and ninety lave been until recently in training at Fort Totten, on Long Island Sound, Nearly all the men of this first American unit to enter the war had begarded the unit to enter the war had boarded the steamship yesterday, but she did not sail because washouts on a railroad from the west had delayed a large number of the ontingent from that section.

It was said that the unit had been or-

dered to sail by a British line out of compliment to our British allies, and that later hospital forces would be sent steamships flying the American flag.

al Corps and are made up of 23 doctors, dentists, 65 nurses and 150 enlisted London has made preparations to revelve the Americans with extraordinary honors. This force will be followed im-mediately by other units from various sections of the Union, organized or under

rganization, that will bring the total evend 20,000. The Americans will report to British cadquarters in France and will operate uder British direction, but will not lose heir identity as a strictly American

### BIG WAGE INCREASE ASKED. British Textile Unions Demand 65

Per Cent, Advance. special Cable Despatch to Tue Sc. London, May 7.—Practically the entire textile trade of England has been notified of a demand from the allied unions of an increase of wages aggregating 60 per cent, over the scale beecessary to keen the buying value of

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THE GREENBRIER White Sulphs
Springs W. Va. Ideal time for the cure.
Only one night from New York -Adv.

Nine Regiments, First Contingent to Go, Will Sail at "Earliest Moment."

RECRUITING STARTED

Unit. Including Subway Builders Here, Is Formed Under Parsons.

BROTHERHOODS TO AID

America Will Forward Rails and Equipment to Supply Armies.

WASHINGTON, May 7,- Nino new can troops to be sent to Europe. They ment," the War Department announced to-day, for work on communi-Surgeon-General Gorgas was on hand to bid the men, all volunteers, good-by. They are under command of Major Gilchrist of the United States Army Medical Cours and are no states.

The new forces will be volunteers, raised at the nine great railway centres of the country. Each regiment will commanded by an engineer Colone! the regular army, aided by an adstant. Ad other officers will be railvay engineers or officials

### Subway Engineers to Go.

The expedition will have a total rength of between 11,000 and 12,000 nen, each regiment being composed of wo battallons of three companies each. ory to the building or operation of lines will be represented in the ranks. The will be represented in the ranks. The officers will be made up largely of trained technical men, but such training will not be so rigidly required of the emisted personnel, it is understood. New York's regiment, according to reports, will have in it many of the engineers who have in it many of the engineers who have been employed in subway work and similar undertakings there.

Railroad construction will be the main task of the contingent from America, italis will be shipped from this country as well as a great part of the rolling

### swing railroads and shipped abroad.

The announcement of the War Depart-

ment follow-The War Department has sent out orders for raising as randill as possible nine additional regiments of ensineers, which are destined to proceed to France at the number possible moment for wors on the lines of communication.

It is requested of the press that no soldier's Wife Doesn't Know If Speculation or rumors be carried by the newspapers other than given out by the War Department. The details regarding the force will be released by the Department as fast as companied with the best public interests. These regiments will have as their central requiring points for following thes New York, St. Louis, Character Hoston, Dittsburg, Decreet, You'th Hoston, Petrsburg, Decroit, 19 San Francisco and Philodeless, 20 to the pine regiments first to go to

have to be maintained by the Government at still greater expenditures.

In Against Conscription Idea.

In accepting the Roosevelt plan army men say they would be accepting the volunteer-plan, which they have persistently described as ineffective is modern wars and would be giving their support.

Plot to Dupe People.

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